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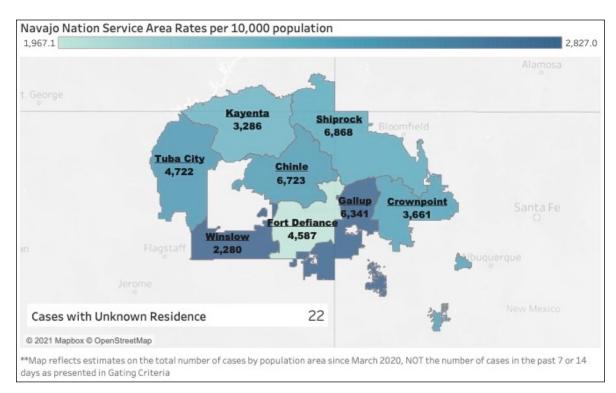
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96 new cases, 36,113 recoveries, and one recent death related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Wednesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 96 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and one recent death. The total number of deaths is now 1,515. The report indicates that 36,113 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 380,604 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 38,490, including 42 delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 6,723

Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,661
Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 4,587

Gallup Service Unit: 6,341

Kayenta Service Unit: 3,286
Shiprock Service Unit: 6,868
Tuba City Service Unit: 4,722
Winslow Service Unit: 2,280

* 22 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Wednesday, the state of Arizona reported 3,459 new cases, Utah reported 2,219 new cases, and the state of New Mexico reported 1,530 cases.

"All health care facilities are offering COVID-19 vaccines for individuals five years and older, and the booster shots if you previously received the vaccine. Our numbers of new cases are very concerning, but case numbers are much higher in border towns and cities located off the Navajo Nation. So, please be very careful if you travel off the Navajo Nation and please take precautions to protect yourself and others. We are in this fight together against COVID-19. Please continue to pray and we also thank all of the frontline warriors who continue to fight for our people and save lives each day," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"Our frontline workers are fighting hard for all of us, so let's fight for them by being cautious and lessening the spread of COVID-19 in our communities. As we approach the holidays, we encourage everyone to continue to be safe and to keep your guard up at all times. Be safe and continue to pray for our people and our frontline workers," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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